

Questions and Answers

other superior strain developed along the River Tees, and in the county of Durham, first known as Teeswater cattle, then as Durhams, and finally as Shorthorns. Southwest England in a similar way has developed Devon and southeast England, the Norfolk and Suffolks, now known as Herefordshire, Scotland has developed the Ayrshire, Galloway and Aberdeen Angus. To insure pure breeding, the system of registering pedigrees sprang up a century ago, beginning with the thoroughbred, the first animal ever recorded having been A-la-Grecque, running mare bred in 1792, and first listed in the General Stud Book, published in 1808.

Immigration to the United States.
Please state the number of immigrants to the United States last year and where they came from.

CITIZEN.
Total, 1,941,570. The racial group contributing the largest numbers

the total of 1910 are: Italians, 223,453; Poles, 123,384; Jews, 84,250; German, 71,380; English, 53,498; Irish, 38,382; Magyar, 27,302.

A new element of immigration has hitherto of consequence was an influx of more than 5,000 Hindus into California last year.

These figures do not, however, indicate a permanent increase of population to the extent indicated. The emigration from the United States last

Chinese Suffrage. Where are Chinamen not allowed to vote? X. X. X. California, Nevada, and Oregon. Indians are wholly denied suffrage in Nevada and New Mexico, and under some conditions—too close tribal relations—not permitted to vote in Maine, Michigan, Montana and Washington.

The Loco Weed. What is the loco weed? BOTANIST. The loco or crazy weed of the plains of the Middle West is a perennial plant, of two or more species, having a remarkably intoxicating effect on animals. The purple loco weed (*Aragallus mollissimus*), also called the "woolly poco weed," grows in patches and is an inconspicuous flowerer. It affects horses that eat it much as alcohol affects man, causing inability to control the limbs, nervous excitement, blindness, dejection and loss of weight. The white loco weed, or "rattle weed" (*Aragallus lamberti*) has white flowers, and, unlike the purple weed, is eaten by sheep and cattle, the effects being similar.

Topographical Map. Has a topographical map of the United States been made? C. M. A topographical map of about one-third of the area of the United States has now been made by the Geological Survey. It is in about 1,800 sheets

General Pickett's Career.

Could you please tell what became of General Pickett after his charge at Gettysburg? V.E.I.

He engaged in life insurance in Norfolk, Va., after the war, and died in that city July 30, 1875.

FAVORS STAY AT VIENNA

picturesque place, where the young Archduke Charles Francis spent as boy many of his summers. It having been placed at the disposal of his father, he had a suburban home for himself and her two boys. It was there, too, that Archduchess Mathild succumbed to the terrible injuries which she had received through the setting fire to the muslin dress in which she was wearing, in her efforts to conceal the lighted cigarette which she was smoking, from her father, old Archduke Albert, generalissimo of the Austrian army, who had entered unexpectedly the room in which she was chatting and smoking with Princess Frederick of Hanover, Emperor and Empress Frederick of Germany, spent several months at the Chateau of Hetzendorf, during their prolonged stay at Vienna, in 1873, on which occasion the present Kaiser, then not a crown prince, was born.

Justin de Selves, the new Minister of Foreign Affairs of France, is rather distinguished looking man of sixty-three, who for the past fifteen years has been Prefect of the Seine and has been in charge of the French metropolis. As such it has been his duty to reconcile the views of the national government, of which he was a member, with the views of the metropolis, concerned with those of the various metropolitan mayors and of the Municipal Council of the capital. The mayor, however, has no political views and so, too, is almost invariably the majority of the Municipal Council. The result is that these city dignitaries and the national government are constantly at loggerheads, and it has been the task of M. de Selves to bring peace and harmony between them. How well he has succeeded is shown by the fact that he held the office of governor from 1896 until last week.

the rank of senator, and to the o Knight Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor. He is a nephew of that M. Charles de Gaulle, who has been a frequently premier, and who has held cabinet office since 1877 more or less. He is now 67 years of age. In fact, De Selver shares much of his uncle's suavity, kindness of character, and utter freedom from official programs and dogmas. He has a beautiful country place in the Department of the Dordogne, has a wife, in the person of Miss Garrison, and was for 25 years postmaster-general of France.

As civil governor of Paris, it happened that he was called upon to face all the foreign monarchs and imperial personages visiting the French capital, and thus it happened that there was a small circle in Europe with whom he is not personally acquainted, a matter of course a disadvantage in his position as Minister of Foreign Affairs, and incidentally to his country, when one bears in mind how influential is the role played by sovereigns in the making of foreign policy of their respective governments.

De Selver, too, he was in constant and intimate relations with the

ous foreign ambassadors and ministers accredited to France, and there is not one of them who does not rejoice in seeing the corporal rights of De Selves, in office, at the Quai d'Orsay, in the place of those professional politicians who have occasionally been appointed to take charge of the international policy of France, without any previous knowledge or diplomacy, of official procedure, and etiquette, and often, too, ignorant of the more ordinary *savoir faire* and usages du monde.

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